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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

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(Only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d))

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	First Named Inventor	George Krikorian
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This is a request for a continuation or divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d),
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09 / 490,948,
filed on January 24, 2000, entitled Multiple Stage Theater

NOTES

FILEING CLOSING DATE: The prior application identified above is a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete under 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b), (2) incomplete under 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b) and is subject to a filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(d), or (3) incomplete under 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b) and is subject to a filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(d) and the priority claimed in a nonprovisional application filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(e). Therefore, the filing date of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after the filing date.

CPA NOT PRIORITY: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d).

AMENDMENT OR prior APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to amend, change, or delete the prior application as of the filing date of the prior application. A CPA, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), must be filed in the continuation-in-part application, and no other application may be filed.

AMENDMENT TO prior APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be deemed to include a waiver of nonprosecution by the applicant under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 of any amendment filed in the prior application prior to the filing date of this application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). The filing of this CPA will be deemed to include a waiver of nonprosecution by the applicant under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 of any amendment filed in the prior application prior to the filing date of this application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d).

37 C.F.R. 1.29 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the title section of the application, and none should be omitted. If a reference regarding the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A reference to a CPA is the same as a reference required by 36 U.S.C. 133 and a prior application, except the application number, title, and the date are required. 37 C.F.R. § 1.29(d).

- Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d)(4).
 - DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

Richard Martin Byrd

- The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/61) is enclosed.
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - PTO-1448
 - Copies of IDS Citations

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CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d) or (i))	10	-20* =		x \$ _____ =	\$ _____
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b) or (ii))	2	-3** =		x \$ _____ =	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =	
				BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. §1.16)	355
				Total of above Calculations =	355
				Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28).	
				* Advance claims in excess of 20 and over original patent. ** Advance independent claims over original patent.	
				TOTAL =	355

6. Small entity status:

a. A small entity statement is enclosed, if (b) and (c) do not apply.
b. A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
c. Is no longer claimed.

7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. _____:

a. Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
b. Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.
c. Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18.

8. A check in the amount of \$ 355.00 is enclosed.

9. New Attorney Docket Number, if desired 50064
(Prior application Attorney Docket Number will carryover to this CPA unless a new Attorney Docket Number has been provided herein.)

10. a. Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)
b. Return Receipt Postcard (should be specifically itemized. See MPEP 503)

11. Other: _____

NOTE: If you are a small entity, you are not required to provide a fax number for this CPA.

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13. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name: (Print/Type)	Nathan Boethel, Attorney
Signature	
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Date	02/26/01

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4 In Re: Application of Art Unit:
5 GEORGE KRIKORIAN, et al)
6 Serial No.: 09/490,948) Examiner: RECEIVED
7 Filed: January 24, 2000) MAR 07 2001
8 For: MULTIPLE STAGE THEATER) OFFICE OF PETITIONS
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11 Assistant Commissioner For Patents
12 Washington, DC, 20231

13 CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION
14 UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)

15 This is a request for the filing of a continued prosecution
16 application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) of the above captioned non-
17 provisional application.

18 It is requested that this continued prosecution application
19 utilize the file jacket and contents of the prior application,
20 including the specification, drawings, and oath or declaration
21 from the prior application, to constitute this new application,
22 and that the application number of the above captioned prior
23 application be assigned for identification purposes. 37 C.F.R.
24 153(d)(2)(iv)

25 It is also requested that the above captioned prior
26 application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date accorded
27 this continued prosecution application. 37 C.F.R. 153(d)(2)(v)

28 With respect to the above captioned prior non-provisional

1 application, this continued prosecution application is being
2 filed before the earliest of the following:

3 1) termination of the proceedings on the prior application.

4 37 C.F.R. 153(d)(1)(ii)(C);

5 2) payment of the issue fee on the prior application. 37

6 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(A); and

7 3) abandonment of the prior application. 37 C.F.R.

8 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(B)

9 The term for response or taking action in the prior
10 application expires on March 2, 2001.

11 Please note the following:

12 1) This application discloses and claims only subject matter
13 disclosed in the prior application. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(2)(ii)

14 2) Filing of this continued prosecution application is to be
15 construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant
16 under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public,
17 who is entitled under the provisions of section 1.14 to access
18 to, copies of, or information concerning, either the prior
19 application or any continuing application filed under the
20 provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) may be given similar access to,
21 copies of, or similar information concerning the other
22 application or applications in the file jacket. 37 C.F.R.
23 1.53(d)(6)

24 3) Filing of this request is the specific reference required
25 by 35 U.S.C. 120 to every application assigned the application
26 number identified in this request. No amendment in this
27 application may delete this specific reference to any prior
28 application. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(7) and 1.78(a)(2)

